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Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	10/045,036	TANAKA ET AL.
	Examiner Tim Phan	Art Unit 3729

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Thiem D. Phan.

(3) Adam M. Treiber.

(2) Carl J. Arbes.

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 22 July 2004.

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference
c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1-8 and 18.

Identification of prior art discussed: US 6,007,969.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The reference (US 6,007,969) recites photomask as specifically defined by Fig. 15B, element 3. The Patent Office construes that the wording "photomask" can be broadly applied in the claim. New claim 19 is filed in the 116 Amendment.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

Application No.: 10/045,026 First Named Applicant: Tanaka
 Examiner: T. Pham Art Unit: 3729 Status of Application: Pending
(After Final)

Tentative Participants:

(1) T. Pham (2) P. Vo

(3) Adam Treiber (4) _____

Proposed Date of Interview: 7/22/04 Proposed Time: 10 AM PM

Type of Interview Requested:

(1) Telephonic (2) Personal (3) Video Conference

Exhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: YES

NO

If yes, provide brief description: _____

Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) <u>Rej.</u>	<u>Cl. 1, 19</u>	<u>Hatakegawa</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(2) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Continuation Sheet Attached

Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:

Please see Rule 116 Amendment filed 7/19. A copy will be brought to Interview.

An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on _____.

NOTE:

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This application will not be delayed from issue because of applicant's failure to submit a written record of this interview. Therefore, applicant is advised to file a statement of the substance of this interview (37 CFR 1.133(b)) as soon as possible.

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature)

(Examiner/SPE Signature)

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